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For: IMPROVEMENTS IN OR RELATING TO CONTRAST AGENTS

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DECLARATION OF PATENT APPLICATION AND APPOINTMENT OF ATTORNEY

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that my residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name; I believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment(s) referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in *Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56*. I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under *Title 35, United States Code, §119* of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

| PRIOR FOREIGN APPLICATION(S) | | | PRIORITY CLAIMED | |
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I hereby claim the benefit under *Title 35, United States Code, §120* of any United States application(s) or PCT international application(s) designating The United States of America listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in that/those prior application(s) in the manner provided by the first paragraph of *Title 35, United States Code, §112*, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in *Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56* which became available between the filing date of the prior application(s) and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under §1001 of *Title 18 of the United States Code* and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

POWER OF ATTORNEY: I(We) hereby appoint as my(our) attorneys, with full powers of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office in connection therewith: J. Ernest Kenney, Reg. No. 19,179; Eugene Mar, Reg. No. 25,893; Richard E. Fichter, Reg. No. 26,382; Charles R. Wolfe, Jr., Reg. No. 28,680; Thomas J. Moore, Reg. No. 28,974; Bruce H. Troxell, Reg. No. 26,592; Joseph DeBenedictis, Reg. No. 28,502; and Benjamin E. Urcia, Reg. No. 33,805.

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ASSIGNMENT OF APPLICATION FOR PATENT

WHEREAS I/we, Jonny ØSTENSEN, Morten ERIKSEN, Sigmund FRIGSTAD and Pål RONGVED, whose post office address(es) appear(s) below, hereinafter referred to as the ASSIGNOR, have invented certain new and useful IMPROVEMENTS IN OR RELATING TO CONTRAST AGENTS (hereinafter referred to as the INVENTION) for which an application for Letters Patent of the United States thus entitled was filed on 14 April 1999 under Serial No. 09/291,277

AND WHEREAS NYCOMED IMAGING AS whose Post Office address is Nycoveien 2, P.O. Box 4220 Torshov, N-0401 Oslo 4, Norway, hereinafter referred to as the ASSIGNEE, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the same in the United States;

NOW THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, ASSIGNOR, by these presents, do hereby sell, assign and transfer unto the ASSIGNEE the entire right, title and interest in and to the INVENTION and application throughout the United States of America, including any and all Letters Patent granted thereon or on any division, continuation, continuation-in-part or reissue of said application;

ALSO, ASSIGNOR hereby agrees to execute any documents that legally may be required in connection with the filing, prosecution and maintenance of said application or any other patent application(s) in the United States for the INVENTION, including additional documents that may be required to affirm the rights of the ASSIGNEE in and to said INVENTION, all without further consideration, and, without further consideration and at the ASSIGNEE'S expense, to identify and communicate to the ASSIGNEE at the ASSIGNEE'S request documents and information concerning the INVENTION that are within the ASSIGNOR'S possession or control, and to provide further assurances and testimony on behalf of the ASSIGNEE that lawfully may be required of the ASSIGNOR in respect of

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ALSO ASSIGNOR hereby authorises and requests the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any and all Letters Patent referred to above to the ASSIGNEE, as the ASSIGNEE of the entire right, title and interest in and to the same, for the ASSIGNEE'S sole use and behoof and for the use and behoof of the ASSIGNEE'S legal representatives, successors and assigns, to the full end of the term for which such Letters Patent may be granted, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by the ASSIGNOR had this assignment and sale not been made;

AND the ASSIGNOR authorises any member of the firm of **Bacon & Thomas** to insert or complete any information in this document needed to effect its recordal in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

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